

## **Data Source with Asthma Content: Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS)**

The MEPS is a set of large-scale surveys of families and individuals, their medical providers, and employers across the United States. MEPS is the most complete source of data on the cost and use of health care and health insurance coverage.

**Administered by** the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), DHHS.

### **Sampling Frame and Methodology:**

- Continuous survey; annual data release
- Household face-to-face interview
- Nationally representative
- Overlapping panel design sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population
- Geography: National

### **Respiratory Health Content:**

- Health care use, medication and device use, and expenditures for asthma.

### **Website and Data Access Information:**

Website: <http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/>

Data: [http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/data\\_stats/download\\_data\\_files.jsp](http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/data_stats/download_data_files.jsp)

Questionnaires: Household component, including Priority Conditions:

[http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/survey\\_comp/survey\\_results\\_ques\\_sections.jsp?Section=PC&Year1=2004&Submit1=Search](http://www.meps.ahrq.gov/mepsweb/survey_comp/survey_results_ques_sections.jsp?Section=PC&Year1=2004&Submit1=Search)